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OUR NEW DIPLOMACY WINS.

AMERICAN DELEGATES TAKE FRONT RANK IN THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

To Their Firm Stand for Honest Effort Will He Due Whatever Success the Conference Has-A Frank Declaration Which Upset the Plans of European Delegates. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

THE HAGUE, June 10 .- The real work of the Peace Conference is now almost at a crisis and the difficulties of the task grow greater daily. The approval of the concrete details of the proposal proves a different thing from the approval of the principle. Three weeks more will probably be required before the delegates are able to agree on any definite scheme of aritration, and even then the result is certain to be a meagre skeleton.

It is time now to record the remarkable change which has taken place in the estimaon in which the American delegates are held by all their colleagues. They were regarded at first in some quarters as almost interlopers. having no place in the discussion of a situation ifch the Old World powers considered strictly European. Their disposition was to treat the Americans as a quantité négligéable. This idea suddenly disappeared almost at the outset of the deliberations, when the American delegation said, in effect:

"Gentlemen, we come here to do business We are not here for diplomacy, but to discuss in a straightforward fashion the subjects contained in the Czar's rescript and with a sincere purpose to reach a practical result. If we fail accomplish that object we propese to inform the world why we failed and place the responsibility for that failure exactly where it be ODES.

This was " new diplomacy " with a vengeance. and it is not an exaggeration to say that it changed the whole situation at The Hague. It is perhaps invidious to intimate that the effect of the declaration was most noticeable upon the German attitude, but the greatest obstacle to any practical agreement, especially on the subject of arbitration, disappeared after it was made. The American plain speaking had another important effect. It won for the American delegation a confidence in its good faith and practical common sense which perhaps none other enjoys. So in a great degree no leader of the conference, not M. de Staal himself, is now so much sought for by his confrères of all countries for consultation and advice as Ambassador White, and it is undeniable that he and Sir Julian Pauncefote have now the strongest personal influences of the six score of representatives here as-

It is necessary to repeat that the practical reof the conference will be of more apparent than real importance, but some progress will certainly be made, and the credit fo that progress will be mainly due to the firm attitude taken by the American delegation.

In the sub-committee of the second section of the Peace conference to-day Major-Gen. Sir John Ardagh of Great Britain declared that Great Britain would never sign a convention on the rules of war. She would cooperate in ameliorating the rules of war if possible, but governments ought to be free as to adopting them or not as might be convenient at the

Clause 3 of the Brussels declaration was The Arts Society gave a fête to the delegates

and the civil and military authorities this evening. The affair was a great success. Prof. Martens of Russia will proceed to Paris Monday evening to attend the formal opening of the Venezuelan conference, after which he will return to The Hague. The American and British members of the Venezuelan conference would not assent to his request for a postpone-ment of the opening of the sittings of that body, hence his visit to Paris.

TOO MANY MUSICIANS IN ENGLAND Sir John Stainer Says Great Numbers of

Them Are on the Verge of Starvation. Special Cante Despatch to THE BUN. LONDON, June 10 .- Sir John Stainer, the Gov ernment's chief inspector of music under the Education Department, professor of music in Oxford and former organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, declares that the profession is altogether overstocked and that a serious crisis is at and. Great numbers of musicians of character and attainments are on the verge of starvation for want of empolyment. He ascribes this as partly due to the fact that the profession is

becoming fashionable. Of the young people who are flocking to the profession in crowds a vast majority have not the most remote chance of even moderate success. He declares that hardly half a dozen composers in England can live by writing music. He himself had tested about 15,000 voices in the past thirteen years, and discovered perhaps twenty-five first-rate ones in that cumber. He says that nobody, unless exceptionally endowed, should think of the musical profession as a career unless prepared to be come a teacher as well as a performer.

AMERICAN PLAYS IN LONDON.

Critics Attack "The Cowboy and the Lady," but it Is Drawing Crowded Houses.

Aperial Cable Leavatch to Tur Sus. Landon, June 10. - The opera and theatrical season is now at its height and on the whole will be more successful than usual. used to be called an American invasion has become a capture or occupation. Three American companies now usurp the boards and another will be here next month.

The latest arrival, "The Cowboy and the Lady." was roughly handled by the critics. but mightlip pleased the public, who are crowding the Duke of York's Theatre nightly. The applause greeting Nat Goodwin and Maxine Elliott was as heart; as hands and voices could make it. "Pinafore" is having a successful revival at the Savoy.

THE PARIS BREAKING UP.

Her Boilers Bave Shifted and Her False Bottoms Are Gone. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUI

LONDON, June 10,-The stranded American line steamship Paris is fast becoming a total wreck. Her boilers have shifted and her false bottoms are gone. Further diving is impossi-

A despatch from St. Keverne says that strong southeast wind is blowing, stirring up a heavy sea. The stern of the Paris has swung round toward land. The officers of the ship left her to-day.

NEW SHIP TO REPLACE THE PARIS.

How Big She Will Be Not Yet Announced-

It was said yesterday at the office of the American line that the International Navigation Company had decided to have a ship built to replace the wrecked liner Paris. Mr. James A. Wright, Jr., Second Vice-President of the company, said that he did not know what firm company, said that he did not know what firm would build the ship, how much she would cost or how big she was going to be.

Aboard the American liner St. Louis, which arrived yesterday from Southampton, were T. J. Turner, W. S. Keyes, and H. C. Tompkins, officers of the stranded steamship Paris, and 144 of her crew. All hands declined to talk about the disaster to the liner. Some of them will testify at the inquiry before the United States Inspectors of Steam Versels, which will be public.

Manacea- When All Else Fails Manacea. Gastro-catarrh, chronic dyspepsia, intestinal fer-mentation, dysentery, cholera infantism, summer complaint, distribuse, "Manacca," a natural spring water, 22 Beaverst, N. Y.—46v,

THE TRANSFAAL CRISIS. Mr. Chamberlain Is Earnestly Trying to

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. LONDON, June 10 .- The bellicose talk over the Transvaal situation has naturally been revived since the news of the failure of the Krüger-Milner conference at Bloemfontein There are reports that an ultimatum is already en route and that preparations are being made or the campaign.

There was never a situation wherein all the news from whatever source was open to greater suspicion than in this. There is one point on which I can speak emphatically, and it is an important one. It has been constantly represented that Mr. Chamberlain's attitude is aggressively militant, in fact, that he is the firebrand of the situation, while his colleagues in the Government are for a concillatory policy. This is the opposite of the truth as regards Mr. Chamberlain. He is earnestly for peace and is devoting all his energies to that end. The latest phase of the situation may in his judgment make it necessary to put pressure upon the Boer Government, but it will not be done in a manner to incite a rupture. He still hopes and expects to gain certain concessions from the Transvani without resort to force.

PRETORIA, June 10.—The First Volksrand

passed without discussion resterday a resolution expressing regret that Sir Alfred Milner, the British High Commissioner, had not accepted President Krüger's proposals in regard to the franchise and the submission of all questions at issue between the Transvaal and Great Britain to arbitration, which proposals the Rand regarded as most reasonable It was announced that President Krüger would submit his franchise proposal to the Volks-

rand on Monday. CAPE Town, June 10.-Sir Alfred Milner had a magnificent reception upon his return here from Bloemfontein on Wednesdaynight. Great crowds filled the streets and sent up cheer after cheer, the Ministers, members of the Assembly and prominent citizens joining in the cheering. The Argus says that Sir Aifred Milner conducted his negotiations with President Krüger n such a way as to leave Colonial Secretary

Chamberlain free to act. BLOEMFONTEIN, June 10 .- The Volksrand of the Orange Free State has passed a resolution declaring that President Krüger's proposals to

Sir Alfred Milner were fair and sufficient.

LONDON, June 10.—A despatch received from Pretoria says that the charges against three of the men recently arrested at Johannesburg for conspiracy against the Government have been withdrawn, they having turned State witnesses. Mr. J. B. Robinson, who has hitherto been an uncompromising opponent of the British Chartered Company in South Africa, has reeived a telegram from his agent at Johannesburg saying that a massmeeting was held there to-day in support of the proposals made by Sir Alfred Milner to President Krüger.

CONAN DOYLE'S FIRST PLAY.

'Halves' a Modest Effort, but Successful in London Last Night.

Special Cable Despatch to Tun Sun London, June 10 .- A sweet and wholesome domestic comedy is Dr. Conan Doyle's first effort as a dramatist. It is entitled "Halves," and was produced at the Garrick Theatre tonight. The piece is as modest and unpretentious as the author himself, who evidently attempts the playwright with diffidence, but while "Halves" does not pretend to be a great play it is in refreshing contrast to some of the recent risque products of more famous dramatists. It will not bring fame to the creator of "Sherlock Holmes." but it will serve to enhance the public desire that the author put a

more ambitious piece upon the boards. More than this, it was well acted and well received. Brandon Thomas and James Welch. in the characters of two brothers who met according to promise after twenty-five years to divide their fortunes, carried the piece to a successful climax.

CHARITY BAZAAR FIRE PAINTING.

M. Maignan's Remarkable Picture "Christ Receiving the Victims." Special Cable Desputch to THE BUN.

PARIS, June 10.-Artist Maignan has finished an extraordinary painting for the Charity Bazaar Church. Due d'Alençon, whose wife, the Empress of Austria's sister, was burned in the memorable fire, has been to see the work. The subject is "Christ Receiving the Victims of the Fire." The fashionable ladies who lost their lives in the flames are divided into two One, including the Duchess d'Alencon, is led by the Virgin Mary and the other by St. Vincent de l'aul. A group of the Little Sisters of the Poor, who died clasped together, follow, Christ, surrounded by the heavenly host, receives the victims, whose names are written on tablets borne beside the throne by Faith, Hope and Charity. The sentiment in which the painting is conceived is elevated and delicate, the tech-

TO CAST STEEL IN A VACUUM.

nique skilful and the sincerity touching.

Company Formed in London to Test Prof. Dewar's Scheme. Special Cable Despatch to THE BUR.

London, June 10.-Prof. Dewar's renewed success in liquelying hydrogen is already leading to practical results. A company was formed vesterday with a capital of £30,000 to ascertain whether steel can be cast in a vacuum. If the plan is successful the air bubbles that now cause flaws and weakness will be done away with and a metal will result such as the world has never seen. The results of the experiments may revolutionize the steel trade. Prof. Dewar is sanguine and is preparing means of testing the practicability of the

LORD SALISBURY'S GARDEN PARTY.

scheme in various ways.

Ambassador Choate and the Whole Embass Staff and Their Families Attended.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, June 10 .- United States Ambassador Choate, with his family and the entire staff of the Embassy, with their families, attended Lord Salisbury's garden party at Hatfield House this afternoon. Among the others who attended were Mr. Lloyd Griscom, Mr. and Mrs. Bettle, Mr. and Miss Blight and Mrs. Barlow. The guests went to Hatfield on board of five special trains.

STORM WRECKS SPANISH TOWN.

150 Houses Destroyed and Many Lives Lost Ten Bodies Recovered. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN.

Madrid, June 10.-A terrific storm has swept ver the town of San Pedro, in the province of Valladolid. Over 150 houses were destroyed and a number of lives were lost. Ten bodies have been recovered from the

6 Per Cent. New York City Investment.

The well-known banking house of Haight & Press. New York, Beaton, and Philadelphia, brings before the public an attractive a per cent. New York City investment. They offer for subscription \$150,000 First Mortgage a per cent. Gold Bonds of the American Market Company at par and accrued interest. Interest commences June 1, 1859, and is parable semi-animally at the office of the United States Mortgage and Trust Company, where, when due, the bonds thomselves are payable.

The capital stock, vid. \$650,000, is already fully subscribed and as the American Market Company will meet a long felt want on the West Side in providing a structal market fitted up with all modern imprisonments, the carning capacity of the company is more than essured. Annual net income over all fixed charges is estimated at \$87,000, so that the bonds offer an opportunity for a safe and remunerative investment not often met with at this time. Prospectus and any additional particulars may be had by personal or malled application to Haight & Freeze, 50 Breadway.—Adv. 6 Per Cent. New York City Investment.

TROOPS WILL LINE THE PRESIDENT'S ROUTE TO LONGCHAMPS TO-DAY.

oubet's Friends Expected to Outdo His Enemies in the Demonstration-Great Uncertainty as to What Will Happen Effect of Last Sunday's Disorder. Special Cable Despatch to THE BUK.

Pants, June 10.-One man's guess is as good as another's respecting what will happen at to-morrow's great race which President Loubet will attend. It is a curious and thoroughly French situation. The attendance will probably be greater than at any horse race ever run before, yet the spectators are not likely to take the slightest interest in the event which they presumably come to see.

All the available police and troops in Paris

will line the route to Longchamps and fill the

points of vantage around the track itself. Save for the fact that there is always danger in a great multitude divided by keen passions, there is no reason to believe that the clash of spirits will become a clash of arms. Moreover, there is no doubt that the multitude who will desire to acclaim the Chief Magistrate and wipe out the insult of a week ago will far outnumber those who sympathize with the aristocratic rowdles who then disgraced themselves. President Loubet is not to be congratulated upon the character of some elements which by a strange evolution of this amazing affair he has suddenly included among his supporters, and perhaps their de nunciation is more to be desired than their praise, but the sound sense and virtue of the country are also on his side.

A great demonstration and violent incidents are perhaps to be expected, but not serious doting. Premier Dupuy and Prefect of Police Blane have too much at stake to make the latter possible. Nothing less popular than a revolt amounting to a revolution and strong enough to overwhelm all the resources of the Government could succeed, and anything of this nature is utterly out of the question. Even If a definite plot existed the conspirators would never select a moment for execution when the

Government is best prepared. The whole effect of last Sunday's attack on President Loubet has been salutary, so far as public opinion is concerned. It has hastened the slow and unwilling concession of the justice of the decision of the Court of Cassation in the Dreyfus case and enlightened the most prejudiced minds concerning the character of those persons and influences which have so long deceived the country and thwarted right, It is too much to expect, perhaps, that the process of reparation of the wrong will go unchecked to the fullest culmination. The forces of evil are still strong enough to make reprisals of one sort or another. It is impossible to foresee what form the last desperate manceuvres will take, but an attempt will prob ably again be made to thwart justice or injure

The Petite Republique has distributed 50,000 red flowers, fashioned like buttons, to be worn by the Radical Socialists to-morrow The Magistrates will be on duty at their re-

spective courts to hear cases immediately in the event of arrests for disorder.

FOR LOUBET'S PROTECTION.

The President of France Will Be Well Guarded at Longehamps To-Day. Special Cable Despatch to THE BUN. Panis, June 10 .- M. Jules Lemaltre, one

he leading agitators of the anti-Loubet faction, has addressed a letter to the President of the Longehamps Racing Society, asking him to postpone to-morrow's races. The President refused to grant the request. The police arrangements for the preservation of order tomorrow, which are very elaborate, are similar to those observed on the occasion of the Czar's

The Government has informed the Jocker Club that if there is the slightest cry against the President in the inclosures at Longchamps

the club will be closed. The Eclair says that the English jockeys. Cannon and Madden, and Tod Sloan, the Amerlean jockey, refused to come to Paris to ride in

the Longehamps races to-morrow. The Matin denies the truth of the report that the owners of the probable starters in the Grand Prix de Paris have scratched their en-

MARCHAND'S' AMUSING DILEMMA. Drives from His Native Town to Await

Preparation for the Official Welcome. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUR

Paris, June 10.-Major Marchand, who was hurried from the capital by the Government, is now in an amusing dilemma. He started to see his parents in his native town of Thoissey. but the crowds who received him imploringly explained that they wanted to give him a berole reception, but had not expected him yet, The Mayor and corporation were not ready. and would be kindly take the next train some where else pending the preparations. He went to Macon, where he disconsolately waited in a local hotel. He is already tired of this, and means to cruise in a Government vessel in the English Channel until June 28. when Thoissey hopes to be able to receive

him.

Meanwhile he is unbosoming himself against England. He declares that, with secret native allies he could have held Fashoda against the British and would have undertaken to drive them out of the country. He remarks the strange similifude in the histories of Fashoda and the Suez Canal. "We were first in "both—now nowhere in either" He concludes cryptically that France must now do something to save herself.

POPE FOR THE FRENCH REPUBLIC. Preparing an Encyclical Letter to the

Catholics of France. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ROME, June 10.-The Pope is preparing an nevellent letter on the duties of the French Catholics toward the Republic, and has already. through Cardinal Rampolla, the Papal Secre tary of State, communicated to Cardinal Richard, Archbishop of Paris, a recommenda-tion that the Bishops support the republic and abstain from countenancing any royalist de-monstrations.

DRETFUS LEAVES DEVIL'S INLAND. The Sfax Started for Brest Yesterday Drey-

Special Cable Despatch to THE SHE Paris, June 10.-Capt. Droyfus embarked on board the French cruiser Sfax yesterday, and the vessel started for Brest at 6:20 o'clock this morning. Dreyfus was dressed in civil cos-tume and wore a beard.

RELIGIOUS RIOTS IN INDIA. One Hundred Persons Reported Killed in the Tinnevelly District.

Special Cable Desputch to THE SUS

BOMBAY, June 10.-Serious riots have oc-

curred in the Tinnevelly district between op-

posing religious sects. Villages have been attacked and plundered, and a hundred mur-ders have been committed. Another Successful Submarine Boat. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

CHERROURO. June 10 .- A successful trial was made to-day of a new submarine boat, the invention of Capt. Del Passo, which is expected take the place of the ordinary diving ethods. The hoat was sunk 160 feet and filled all of the requirements of its design

Cosceola," "Oneck." "Zuni,"
All with Bounded Front,—Adv. E. & W.

TO CHECK PARIS RIOTERS. SPANIARDS CAUSE A ROW IN HAVANA. COVERING UP A MURDER. Parade and Shout "Viva Espana," "Viva

Weyler"-Shots Fired, but No One Hurt.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. HAVANA, June 10.-Prior to embarking for Spain to-day a group of Spaniards paraded the streets, carrying flags and shouting "Viva España!" "Viva Weyler!" The people looked upon them with indifference until Carlos Consado, a Cuban, said to them: "Why don't you shout also Viva Cuba?"

Vicente Mora, the leader of the Spaniards knocked Conzado down and the rest of the Spaniards trampled upon him and beat him with canes, injuring him seriously. A crowd gathered, but the police interfered and prevented the indignant Cubans from venting their wrath upon the Spaniards. The police arrested Mora, but the other Spaniards were allowed to proceed on their way to the steamer

The Marquis Arguelles, Spain's representa-tive, called upon Chief of Police Menocal and demanded Mora's immediate release. Meno-cal replied that he could not set Mora at liberty until the prisoner had been tried for the offence for which he was arrested, whereupon he Marquis applied to the acting Civil Gov ernor, Col. Cosme Torriente, but received the

This evening when the steamer Ignacio Lov la was leaving the harbor the same crowd of Spaniards on her deck and others in boats shouted "Viva Weyler," "Death to the Cu-bans." Another crowd of Spaniards on shore shouted to those on the steamer: "Viva Liooregat. Tell Spain what they did to him. Tell them to send an ironclad here." When these words were heard a crowd of Cubans who were in a boat in the harbor fired severa shots at the steamer, and also fired at a gath sring of Spaniards at La Punta, Nobody was hurt, and the crowds on shore and in the boats were dispersed by the police. Col. Black has ordered that contracts be

made for the employment of 1,500 men to begin the work of laying new pavements in the streets of Havana on June 15. The payment of the Cuban Fifth Army Corps will begin to-morrow at Colon. The men ar

The Secretary of Public Works has proposed o Gen. Brooke the institution of public works n Santa Clara involving an expenditure o

anxiously looking forward to receiving their

Secretary Desvernine has proposed to Gen Brooke the issuance of a decree returning to heir owners all properties siezed by the Spansh Government since the beginning of 1808. The court passed judgment to-day dismiss-ing all charges against the directors of the Havana Tramway Company, declaring that the sale of the company to Castaneda, who represented the American, British and French syndicates, was lawful.

FOR THE LAKES OF KILLARNEY.

Shilling Fund Started to Make Them Public Property.

Special Cable Despatch to Tue Sun. LONDON, June 10 .- The report that Howard Gould intends to purchase the Lakes of Kil-larner has brought F. W. Crossley of Dublin o London to interview the Irish Commoners He is anxious to start a shilling fund to make the lakes and island public property. He has sent a thousand shillings to the Lord Mayor of Dublin, who will act as trustee of the fund. The present owner, the Standard Insurance Company, refused £35,000 for the prop-

MORE INTERNATIONAL COMITY. The London and New York Chambers o Commerce to Dine Together.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS. Loxpox, June 10.-The London Chamber of ommerce has received a reply from the New York Chamber of Commerce expressing thanks for, and accepting the London Chamber's invitation to take part in a

dinner to be given some time next year.

FOOLED A POLICE CAPTAIN. Actress Makes Him Drive Around with He

to Stave Off a Diamond Robbery. A note in French came to Capt. Thomas of the West Forty-seventh street police station vesterday afternoon. It was brought by a messenger from the Hotel 'Cadillac. It was addressed in a scrawly feminine hand to "M. le Commissaire de Police." The Captain is not a French scholar. No one of his confidential men is a French scholar. There was no telling what the note might contain. He determined to go in person and find out. He wore his very reshest uniform.

At the hotel he found a French woman in great state of impatience. She had just arrived here from France, she told him through an interpreter, and she wanted to see the fown, but she had many, oh, so many, diamonds. And she knew how wicked the American thieves were. She didn't dare go out with the diamonds without an armed escort. Hence she had communicated with the nolice.

The Captain concluded that he could be sparsed from the precinct better than any other man. They drove around the avenues and the Park for two hours before the Captain discovered to his utter horror that the sweet young thing was an actress looking for an advertisement for her appearance next Monday and that her press agent was already busy sending out the story of their drive to the newspapers. rived here from France, she told him through

THE GREAT OCTOPUS HUNT.

Govs. Poynter and Jones Accept Gov Sayers's Invitation to Join. LINCOLN, Neb., June 10 .- Gov. Poynter to day notified Gov. Sayers of Texas that he accepted on behalf of himself and the Attorney-General the invitation to attend

the octobus hunt at St. Louis on Sept. 20, or, as it is called, "a conference of the Governors and Attorney-Generals of the several States and Territories for the purpose of taking such action as may be deemed proper respecting the legislation necessary to prevent the formation of trusts and dissolve those now in existence." Gov. Poynter writes: "I desire to say that I not only fully agree

with you on the proposition that a unity of action among the States is desirable, but I firmly believe that unless this giant ectorus is crushed in the near future not only the rights and privileges of our people will be sacribed, but the very existence of our republic will be imperilled.

austra. Tex. June 10.—Gov. Jones of Arkansas in a letter which Gov. Sayers received to-day approves the proposed conference of Governors and Attorney-Generals to be held in St. Louis on Sept. 20 to consider the anti-trust legislation. He urges that a large number of states and Territories be represented at the conference and some plan be adopted that will destroy the trusts.

TWENTY POLICEMEN KNOCKED OUT. Almost the Entire Force of a Philadelphia Station Used Up by Crossed Wires.

PHILADELPHIA, June 10 -Of the twenty-five policemen at the Frankford station twenty were knocked out by electricity last night, and at rollcall this morning only ten of them were able to appear. The trouble was due to wires connecting the pairol boxes with the station house being crossed with other wires by a wind-storm. When Pairolman Thomas Coates wen-into the box to report he was kneeked ten feet-away, where he lay unconscous with his clothes on fire when found by a citizen who happened to pass.

James Butterworth, William Meyers, John Wolf, James Taylor, John Scott, William Band, George Rudeliffe and Jacob Hennii all were similarly shocked and lurned. Fortunately all of them were found and the fires in their clothes put out before they were seriously burned. To-day the employees of the City Electrical Bureau were busy restringing the wires.

Westcott Express, 14 Park place, cnecks baggage to and from all parts of New York and Brooklyn,—4de.

CONCLUSION OF THE POLICE REGARD-ING A MUTILATED BODY.

t Was Found in the Narrows, and the Manper of Its Dismemberment Suggests a Crime Like That of Martin Thorn-The Head, Arms and Parts of Legs Missing.

The trunk of a man's body, almost identical n appearance with the first portion of the dy of William Gieldsensuppe, the murdered Turkish bath rubber, which was found on June 26, 1897, was picked up in the Narrows at the foot of Eighty-eighth street, Brooklyn yesterday morning. John Brennan, the watchman at the Crescent

Athletic Club house, took his dog to the cove sed as a launch anchorage at 8:15 o'clock The dog acted peculiarly, and Brennan soon discovered a white object which he took to be part of a human body floating in the cove. He went back to the clubhouse and told

Clerk John Bowler of what he had seen. Bow-

er suggested that Brennan get another man

and a rowboat and go out and recover the body I won't do it," replied Brennan. don't catch me handling such a thing. I think that you had better notify the police." Acting on this suggestion Bowler called up the police of the Fort Hamilton station on the telephone and told them of Brennan's discovery. Policeman Johnson was sent to the place and securing a rowboat he rowed out to the body and placed a rope around it. Then he towed it to

the foot of Seventy-seventh street, where he

dragged it on the beach and covered it with a

black cloth. It was removed later to the Brooklyn Morgue. The trunk, which is nude, is complete from a cut through the chest just below the arms to about three inches be-low the knees. The right thigh has been cut into from behind, and the thigh snapped just above the knee, but the flesh of the front part of the thigh is not severed The body appears to have been in the water ess than twenty-four hours, and it is evident that it was not exposed in the air for any con-

siderable time before it got into the water. So far as has been discovered the portion of the body now at the Brooklyn Morgue has no special marks by which it can be identified. The dead man was evidently not far from 5 feet 10 inches tall, and he weighed nearly 200 pounds. His body was long as compared with his legs. He was deep-chested, muscular and evidently in the prime of life. There is a heavy growth of dark hair on the body. The skin is white and smooth.

There is some difference of opinion among the police officers who inspected the body as to how it was cut up. Among the suggestions made yesterday was that the man had been caught on a railroad trestle while in swimming and run over; that the body had been dismembered by the paddle wheelor propeller of some steamer, and that it had been cut up by hand. The last theory had the greatest number of supporters, and there is much evidence to cor-roborate it. The cut through the chest shows a clean, smooth edge, the tip of the breast bone being severed neatly. The ends of two ribs are gouged out. Two other ribs were cut across diagonally. This part of the work looks as though it had been done with a very sharp knife with a thin blade. The backbone, however, and the bones the legs were hacked in two by an edged instrument, heavy enough to crush through them with one or two blows The cut through the chest is just below the alpples and just above the diaphragm, so that the diaphragm and the abdominal cavity are intact, all the organs of the thoracic cavity

being gone completely. At the cuts on the legs, the skin appears to have been cut around first, and the bones hacked off in the same hasty manner in which the backbone was cut. The cut in the right thigh appears to have been made before the eg was severed lower down, as the lower cut very jagged, owing, probably, to the break in the bone above which made the leg less steady to work upon. If the legs had both been severed at the point at which the thigh bone was broken, the trunk would have been precisely similar to the first portion of Gieldsensuppe's body which was found. There were no wrap-

pings and no marks of any on the body. The body was discovered at flood tide and this leads the police to believe that it came from the Staten Island shore. They argued that, judging from its condition, it could not have travelled very far or been in the water long. Accordingly Capt. Driscoll of the Fort Hamilton station and his mon searched the shore from Gravesend Beach to the foot of Fifty-fifth street, South Brooklyn, hunting for the missing portions of the body or for any other clue. They did not find anything. Dep uty Chief Mackellar put a number of his men at work on the case, but they did not make any headway. The lack of distinctive identifying marks baffled them

"To my mind," said Acting Inspector Campbell, "there can be no doubt that this is a mur der case. The rough way in which the worl was done shows that no medical student had anything to do with the dismemberment of the body. The work was done hurriedly, too. It is simply impossible to believe that anybody could be so mutilated by the paddie wheels of a steamer, and even if that were possible the entire lack of other cuts and bruises on the body disposes of this theory. Coroners' Physician Hartung has been ordered to perform an autopsy on the internal organs to see if any poison was used in the killing of the man. If he finds no trace of poison, it will be fair to assume that the murderer either shot the victim in the head or crushed in his skull and honed to conceal his crime by cutting off the head. I believe the arms and legs were removed because they here marks that would lead to identification. I cannot see much light ahead unless missing portions of the body are found.

Deputy Chief Mackellar went over the list of missing men yesterday afternoon and notified the relatives of each to call at the Brooklyn Morgue and see if they could identify the body. The police, however, have no record of any missing man which corresponds well with that of the body. Orders were also sent from Police Headquarters to the stations at Coney Island, Bath Beach and Sheenshead Bay to search the shore carefully this morning for other parts of the body. Detectives Desmond. Murphy, and others of Cast. Reynold's stail are also at work on the case.

The disappearance of Charles Ballschemieder from the home of his brother Jacob, at 6 Monroe avenue, New Brighton, S. L., has been reported, and in some respects the description of the man corresponds with that of the body.

Ballschemieder was 20 years old, 5 feet 7%, inches tail, and was stout. He had dark hair His body is described as long for his legs. He had dientifying scars on the left foot and left arm. His brother Jacob will visit the Morgue to-day. unvilling to do with the dismemberment of the body. The work was done hurriedly, too

lo-day.

Ballschemieder was last seen on May 18, so far as his brother knows, and no explanation of where he may have been from that date until a day or two sgo is offered.

At 9:30 o'clock on the night of May 31 an Italian man was reported to have been lost overboard from the Hamilton avenue ferry-boat Whitehall. It is thought that he was struck by a paddle wheel, as he did not come to the surface. The police have no description of him and do not know his name.

Bernard Norris's 107th Birthday.

Bernard Norris has the distinction of being of only the oldest employee of the city but the most venerable inhabitant of the borough of records he was born in the county Cavan. Ire land, on June 10, 1702, and consequently cele-brated his 107th birthday yesterday. He was 30 years old when he came to this country. For fourteen years he has been employed in Pros-pect Park as a "paper chaser." He is still able to attend to his duties, which are diversified by pleasant chats with park visitors.

The New "Saratoga Limited" of the New York Central—the most lumrious and elegant summer resort train ever placed in service— will make its first trip at 3.30 F. M. Saturday, June 24.—24v. JEFFRIES CALLS SHARKEY.

Champion Posts a Forfelt and Names His Conditions for a Fight with the Sailor. PHILADELPHIA, June 10 - James J. Jeffries, the new champion of the world, appeared in this city to-night at one of the local theatres

After the performance he issued the appended

statement to Thomas Sharkey:
"Mr. Thomas Sharkey-blowhard-Sir: I read in the press that you have expressed your desire and willingness to meet me in a contest for the worldschampionship, which I now hold having won it from a man that you robbed in San Francisco two years ago. You know in your heart that Fitzsimmons was your master and you were a party to the contemptible scheme that robbed him of a decision in that battle. He knocked you out fair and square and you know it. Now, Mr. Sharkey, you say you want to meet me. That is just what I have been waiting for.

I whipped you once and I can do it again. But as I am now champion of the world, and you desire to meet me, I herewith name my condi-tions. I accepted Mr. Fitzsimmons's arguments in order that I might meet him and win the title that I now possess. My conditions are as follows:
"I will fight you on or about Sept. 15 for the

largest purse offered by any athletic club and a \$10,000 side stake. I have deposited \$2,500 o-day in the hands of Al Smith as a guarantee of good faith. I stipulate that the entire purse shall go to the winner. No side agreements or secret arrangements considered. Fight for all or none. You must agree to George Siler as referes, who has demonstrated to the world that he is a fair man. I have no wish that you should perpetrate any Wratt Erps on me. Also that the contest shall take place in an eighteen-foot ring, so you cannot run away. I understand that you have always expressed a willingness to fight with one hand free, each man to take care of himself in the clinches. So now, Mr. Sharkey, if you have any desire to fight for the championship of the world, come forward and deposit your coin and you will be accommodated at once without any argument or mud slinging."

BROKE OPEN THEIR "TABERNACLE." Police of Houston, Tex., Disturb 500 Ne

groes Awaiting a Shower of Fire. Houston, Tex., June 10.-The police author Ities to-day forced the congregation of negroes out of Bute's warehouse, which they had con-verted into a "tabernacle." There were over 500 negroes assembled in the building, where they had been fasting and prayto be delivered from the flood of scalding water and ignited oil, that was to descend and destroy Houston at midnight to descend and destroy Houston at midnight last night as prophesied by their prophet, F. A. Smith. The disciples and faithful, who were locked in the building listening for the sound of Gabriel's trumpet proclaiming the coming of the dire calamity that was to overwheim Houston, were attired in long blue gowns that reached the floor and which were trimmed in red. They would pray, shout, sing and exhort until they fell in a swoon. During the fasting and praying one baby was born.

Hundreds of excited negroes surrounded the tabernacle all night. Some had wives and children in the building. Others had husbands there, all anxious to get them out, and violence was threatened. The place became a nuisance, and as such was ordered abated this morning.

The negroes realize now that they were duped by Prophet Smith. He is under cover in Galveston.

BACK WITH A STRANGE STORY.

Return of Conrad Kissel, the Bridegroom Who Disappeared. Conrad Kissel, who disappeared from his home, 812 Traphagen street, West Hoboken, on Tuesday last, on the eve of his marriage to Miss Lena Fritch of 517 Monastery street. returned to his home last night and told a remarkable story to account for his absence. He said that on Tuesday

noon he stopped in a saloen at Grand Street and West Broadway, this city, and had a glass of beer. The next thing he remembers was that he awoke lying on a bench in one of the small parks in Philadelphia.

As he had no money, he was forced to walk home. When he reached New Brunswick, N. ome. When he reached New Brunswick, N., he met a member of the Order of Foresters, of the local lodge of which he is the Chief tanger. The Forester gave him enough money o pay his fare to Holoken.

Miss Fritch, who was prostrated on account

of Kissel's disappearance, has recovered, as the wedding will take place next Wednesday. FOR THE ALASKA GOLD FIELDS.

Four Steamers and a Sailing Vessel Sail from Seattle with 700 Passengers. SEATTLE, Jun. 10 -Travel to the Alaskan gold fields by the all-water route opened today. Four steamers and one sailing vessel left with 700 passengers. The steamer Roanoke of the North American Transportation and Trading Company's fleet carried 600. She goes direct to Cape Nome, the newest discovery in the north land, and takes miners from all parts of the East. A number of wives went north to join their husbands, who wintered in various Indian camps, Two Eastern young women will be married on reaching Circle. The Roanoke will bring back a gold cargo of \$5,000,000 in about a month. Dawson banks will send \$3,000,000.

The other steamers sailing were the Allynce, Elthu Thompson and Lakme. All sailed direct for St. Michael and were heavily loaded.

WHITECAPS AT WORK IN KENTUCKY. Tear Down Two Disreputable Resorts and

Drive the Keepers Out of Town. Louisville, 'Ky., June 10 .- Whitecaps have reappeared near Owingsville. A band took Willie Manly from his home, gave nim 100 ashes, tore down his house and notified him to leave the place on pain of being whipped to death. The house of Eliza Wright, near to death. The house of Eliza Wright, near Maniy's, was also torn down, but she was not whipped. The charge of keeping disreputable resorts was made against them. Both victims have gone away. There is no clue to the identity of the members of the band.

In Marshall county a similar band almost wrecked the house of a widow named Morris, Axes, hatchets and other weapons were thrown through the doors and windows and Mrs. Morris and her children had narrow escapes. The cause of the attack is unknown.

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Norfolk and Western. PETERSBURG, Va., June 10. - A west-bound freight train on the Norfolk and Western Railroad was wrecked at a late hour last night at Kilby Lake, one mile west of Suffolk, Work men have been raising the bridge across the lake and repairing the abutments, and to this fact and the heavy rain may be attributed the accident. When, the causine of the freight struck the east end abutment last night it gave way. The becomotive was thrown down the embankment and late the lake, where it now remains, the upper part showing above the water.

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Engineer W. A. Claston and Fireman William Pool were killed. The forward train hand, a colored man named Tom Wells, was so badly hurt that he died of his impries. Eight freight cars and gondolas were wrecked The Sikh Leads the Indrant at Gibraltar The British freight steamships Sikh and

Indrani, which started from this part on a race to Singapore for \$1,000, put up by the rival skippers, cassed Gibraltar on Friday and steamed into the Mediterraneau. The Sish was about an hour ahead of the Indram. They made oibraltar in twelve days, which is better by two days than the usual freighter not out

Prince of Wales to Attend the Athletic Contests.

Special Cubie Desputch to THE SUN Lospon, June 10 -It is announced that the Prince of Wa'es will attend the coming Anglo-American universities' athletic games.

Carl H. Schultz's Vichy. A pure and refreshing drink. Admired by good livers, who are apt to suffer from soldity of the stomach. -- adv. PRICE FIVE CENTS.

LAUNCH OF THE COLUMBIA.

NEW CUP DEFENDER LEAVES HER CRADLE WITHOUT A HITCH. Mrs. C. Oliver Iselin Performs the Christen-

ing Ceremony-The New Boat a Nearer

Approach to the Fin Keel Type Than the Defender-Boy Killed by an Explosion of Photographic Powder-Two Others Hurt. BRISTOL, June 10. - The Columbia, the yacht built to defend the America's Cup against the Shamrock, was launched to-night. about which there has been so much secrecy

was shown to between 5,000 and 6,000 persons. and her shape and approximate dimensions are now known. The Columbia was built on a launching cradle under a shed. This cradle was on a railway, and at 8:15 o'clock Designer N. G. Herreshoff gave the order to lower the boat. The big yacht slowly sid down the ways and in twenty minutes was floating in the water of Narragansett Bay, being saluted by cheers from the crowd of specators and from the yachts. It was a holiday at Bristol. The works of the Herreshoff Manufacturing Company were really the only busy place in town. Every one except those connected with these works was talking of the launching, and journeys were made to the works to try and get

a peep at the new racing wonder. Early in the day excursionists began to arrive, and the sleepy old town, once noted as the home of daring whalers, seemed quite bright and gay, and flags were hung on some of the houses. Visitors arrived from Providence, Newport, Fall River, and many other smaller towns in the State, and a big fleet of rachts with friends of C. Oliver Iselin on board came up the bay and anchored off the shops. Among these boats were ex-Commodore Elbridge T. Gerry's steamer Electro, Henry Walter's steamer Narada, Harrison B. Moore's steamer Marietta. John R. Drexel's steamer Suitana, Miss susan De Forest Day's steamer Scythian, H. F. Lippitt's schooner Quisetta, the steamers Felicia, Katrina and Adrienne; the sloops Gioriana, Ramahah, Queen Mab, Defender and many

Inside the shops the finishing touches were given to the Columbia, and men were working on the yacht until a short time before she was launched. The Herreshoffs took extra precautions to prevent any one from getting a peenat the boat, and only a few members of the New York Yacht Ciub and their friends were admitted to the shops. A watchman stood at the door opening onto the street. On the water side it was different. Herreshoff had not expected an attack from this quarter and many invaded the precincts of the yard and had a good look at the boat before the designer knew that boats were owing in front of the shops. Then this part had to be defended and watchmen were placed on the piers. The St. Michaels, the Columbia's tender, was moored across the slip and the crew of the new defender lounged about, thus effectually preventing any one from coming near the boat. All that could be seen from the water was the stern of the yacht on which, in

etters of gold, is the word "Columbia." Nat Herreshoff had nothing to say to any one all day. He was busy in the shops. Iselin was busy, too, and did not talk about the boat, Others who went into the shed had their lips scaled, and those who could not get inside had o wait until the yacht was launched before getting a look at her. It was a weary wait for many, but the afternoon passed away and then nearly every one went to supper and afterward toward the Herreshoffs' again. The Columbia was built in the south shop, and the pier near the shop was reserved for friends of Iselin and Herreshoff. Another pier on the north side was to be thrown open to the public, and a big crowd gathered around this gate early in the evening. Ice ream peddlers did a thriving business during the wait for the doors to open, and so did seve attracted to Bristol. John B. Herreshoff, the President of the company, it was said, lost \$250. The police soon spoiled the profits of these men, and about a dozen suspects were picked out of the crowd and escorted back to

the railroad station. The evening was a glorious one. The clouds had cleared away, and the sky was a beautiful blue. The sun was a big ball of crimson, and was gradually sinking in the West, sending, as it got lower and lower, a golden ray across the bay and into the shell in which the Columbia stood. Then it dropped below the horizon, and the yachts took in their flags, and lights

sparkled over the water.

As it got darker the thin crescent of the new moon appeared and the superstitious said it was an omen of good luck. Then the searchlights flashed from the bridge of the rachts and the scene became brilliant again. It was about a quarter before 8 o'clock when the gates were opened and then the crowd rushed along the pier to get positions from which the boat could best be seen. Some climbed onto the roofs of the shops, others onto piles of lumber, and many who had brought boxes and barrels with them stood at the back of those who had front places and looked over the heads of the growd. Mr. and Mrs. Iselin, their four children, Col. and Mrs. William Goddard, Capt. Woodbury Kane, Herbert Leeds, Newberry D. Thorn and others of the launching party were on the St. Michaels, and a few minutes before 8 o'clock all came ashore and went into the shop where the Columbia was. Then the crowd began to cheer and neeks were craned to get a look into the shed from which the yacht would soon appear. While waiting the torpedo boat Morris arrived from Newport with a crowd of naval officers, She came up the bay very fast and caused some little excitement by fouling some small boats

that were anchored at the end of the slip. Inside the shop Nat Herreshoff was superintending the preparations for the launching. Shores were knocked away and at 8:15 o'clock the machinery holding the cradle was started and the big yacht trembled as she moved. Mrs. Iselin smashed a bottle of wincon the bow of the yacht and said: "I christen thee Columbia and wish thee good luck." Very slowly the big boat moved on toward the water. On her deck were N. O. Herreshoff, Capt. Charley Barr and several of the erew of the yacht. It was at least five minutes before her stern showed out-side the shed and then a cheer from the growd greeted her. Then the machinery was stopped. When it started again and the stern was clear four sailors crawled along the deck, and, standing on the rail, hoisted the American yacht ensign on the staff. A ringing cheer greeted this act, and the searchlights on the

st. Michael's were trained on the flag. luch by inch the yacht moved on down the ways, and when the underbody appeared it glistened like gold in the dazzling rays of the searchlights. Then her rudder touched the vater, and it seemed as if the vacht must have life, and having tasted the water hurried to float. The speed was increased a little, but still it was slow compared with launches. As her deek drew clear of the shed a staff was stepped in the place where the mast will stand and on it were heisted the star and crescent pennant of Commo-dore J. Pierpont Morgan and the red and blue pennant of C. Oliver Isein. Lower and lower she went into the water, and then as the bow drew clear of the shell another staff was housted and the New York Yacht Club turgee fluttered from it. The low of the yacht was decorated with garlands, but it did not want any decorations to make it look hand-

The cheering by this time had become a